

MINUTES

Reese Village Council
2073 Gates Street
Sept. 13, 2021
7:00 p.m.

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance: In the Municipal Building, President Keast called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call: President Paul Keast, Trustees Present: Brian Weihl, Matt Bouvy, Jeff Skias and Darryl Tafoya.

Absent: Councilpersons Doug Squanda & Pete Bouvy

Staff Present: Clerk/Treasurer Chris Ranney
Village Manager Thomas Raymond

Guests in Attendance: Charles Heinlein, Echo Ranney, Jacob Dohrmann & Ken Berthiaume

Approval/Adjustments to the Agenda: Motion by M. Bouvy, 2nd by Weihl to approve the agenda, once adjusted to move Ken Berthiaume audit presentation to the public comments section. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Adoption of Minutes from meetings held Aug. 9, 2021: Motion by Weihl, 2nd by M. Bouvy, to adopt the minutes of Aug. 9, 2021, as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Councilperson Pete Bouvy Joined the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ken Berthiaume 2020-2021 Village Audit Presentation: Ken was present to go over the finding of the fiscal year end 2021 Standard Unmodified Village Audit Opinion. Ken told the council the audit went very smooth and received excellent help from the village staff. Ken made mention that the village bookkeeping was in good shape with only a small amount of recommended adjusting entries. Ken also mentioned the transfer to the BS&A software was seamless. During the audit presentation, Ken briefly went through some of the key findings in the report with council. Ken took questions from the council and thanked them for allowing him to present the information.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Weihl, 2nd by P. Bouvy, to accept the reports from Village Manager, Police Dept., DPW & Reese Fire/Rescue. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Minutes Received from Boards & Commissions: **Motion** by M. Bouvy, 2nd by Skias to accept the report from Denmark Twp., Reese Fire Rescue, Blumfield Reese Water Authority, Reese Parks & Rec, and ZBA (8/31/2021). **Motion carried unanimously.**

Letters to the Trustees – None

Approval of Check Listing: **Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2nd by M. Bouvy to accept check listing #s 20922 to 20986 totaling \$75,853.13 for fund accounts. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Update Unfinished or Pending Matters:

- A. Parks & Rec – Jacob Dohrmann provided council with a paper copy of the presentation and briefly discussed the need for the ground to be repaired and how the group came to this conclusion. After the brief presentations, **Motion** by P. Bouvy, 2nd by Skias to approve up to \$5,000 from Park & Rec funds to pay for the ground repairs necessary at the Reese Community Park future RC Track. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- B. Rapid Information System – The committee formed to investigate these systems met and they are still waiting for costs associated with continuing on Tuscola County's system.
- C. Streetlights – Manager Raymond is continuing to work with DTE for a resolution. Councilperson Skias was able to get a phone number of someone who might be able to help Manager Raymond with the process.

New Business

- A. Ken Berthiaume 2020-2021 Village Audit Presentation: Discussed in Public Comments.
- B. Manager's Contract – President Keast discussed the changes made to the contract at the last meeting. President Keast is hoping the council will approve the contract at the October meeting once all changes have been discussed and agreed. Councilperson Skias questioned accumulated time off during COVID and the timeline to use the accumulated time off. Manager Raymond discussed his plan to use this time effectively by the deadline requested. Councilperson Skias also questioned accumulation of sick time off in the new contract. Skias says the sick time accrued in a year should be used in that same year, no sick time should be carried over

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from year to year. Contract negotiations should be completed for the October council meeting.

Public Comments - None

Miscellaneous: Councilperson Matt Bouvy brought up the Community Trunk or Treat on Oct. 23, 2021, that is being organized by community members not associated with an organization. Manager Raymond is wanting the Parks Dept. to sponsor the event. More information will be available at the next meeting.

Items for next agenda:

Streetlights
Halloween Hours
Reese Community Parks & Rec.
Rapid Information System
Village Manager Contract

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chris Ranney, Clerk

Approved: _____



Date: 10/11/2021